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Lafayette, Louisiana
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Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
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Re: 5,830' Sand, Reservoir A (formerly 5,800' Sand)
Nonion Struma Zone, Reservoir A
Nodosaria Blanpiedi Zone, Reservoir A
BUNCHY CREEK FIELD
Allen Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC.** for the calling of public hearings, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the 5,830' Sand, Reservoir A, the Nonion Struma Zone, Reservoir A, and the Nodosaria Blanpiedi Zone, Reservoir A, all in the Bunchy Creek Field, Allen Parish, Louisiana:

1. To establish rules and regulations and to create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the 5,830' Sand, Reservoir A, and gas and condensate from each of the following reservoirs: the Nonion Struma Zone, Reservoir A, and the Nodosaria Blanpiedi Zone, Reservoir A, all in the Bunchy Creek Field, Allen Parish, Louisiana. The proposed units designated 5830 RA SUA, NS RA SUA and NB RA SUA are shown on the plats attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within each of the proposed units with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.

3. To designate Helmerich & Payne, Inc. as operator of each of the proposed units.
4. To designate the following wells as unit wells for their respective units: the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. – Kingrey No. 1 Well for the proposed 5830 RA SUA, the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. – T. L. Garth No. 1 Well for the proposed NS RA SUA and the proposed NB RA SUA.
5. To permit the applicant to designate and utilize the T. L. Garth No. 1 Well as alternate unit well for the 5,830' Sand, Reservoir A.
6. To provide that any wells drilled to the aforementioned reservoirs should be exempt from the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
7. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify each of the sands and reservoirs by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of each reservoir changes and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.

8. To consider such others matters as may be pertinent.

The 5,830' Sand, Reservoir A, in the Bunchy Creek Field, is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 5,824 feet and 5,904 feet (electrical log measurements) (5,822 feet and 5,902 feet – true vertical depths) in the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. – T. L. Garth No. 1 Well, located in Section 21, Township 6 South, Range 6 West, Allen Parish, Louisiana.

The Nonion Struma Zone, Reservoir A, in the Bunchy Creek Field, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 7,256 feet and 7,376 feet (electrical log measurements) (7,220 feet and 7,332 feet – true vertical depths) in the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. – T. L. Garth No. 1 Well, located in Section 21, Township 6 South, Range 6 West, Allen Parish, Louisiana.

The Nodosaria Blanpiedi Zone, Reservoir A, in the Bunchy Creek Field, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 7,428 feet and 7,516 feet (electrical log measurements) (7,380 feet and 7,463 feet – true vertical depths) in the Helmerich & Payne, Inc. – T. L. Garth No. 1 Well, located in Section 21, Township 6 South, Range 6 West, Allen Parish, Louisiana.

Pertinent data, including well logs, may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from Mr. Frank Harrison, P. O. Box 51943, Lafayette, Louisiana 70505, Telephone Number (337)232-4031.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, a pre-application conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana on August 5, 2002, at which the parties named on the attached list were in attendance. Messrs. Rick Revels and Frank Harrison opened the conference and explained the bases of the applicant's unit proposals. Mr. Harrison explained that the applicant wished to make

August 5, 2002

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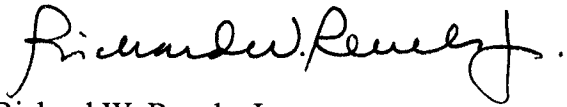
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a nomenclature change, changing from the 5,800' Sand to the 5,830' Sand. No change in the definition of the unitized interval is being proposed however. Mr. Juan Diliberto, on behalf of J. E. Ardoin, et al, and Mr. Stan Warburton, on behalf of W. S. Kingrey Corp., presented counterplans, suggesting units of somewhat different sizes and shapes. No resolution of differences was reached at the conference; however, the applicant and participating parties agreed to continue to negotiate in the hope of reaching a compromise. The applicant's representatives advised the parties at the conference that an application would be filed immediately in order to get the earliest possible hearing date. The conference was then adjourned.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof are plats outlining the applicant's proposals, the conference attendance list and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being mailed. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, said plats, except for the 5830 RA SUA, and the list of parties are being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation; however, the list of parties will be furnished to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, enclosed is our check on behalf of the applicant, in the amount of \$2,100.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,


Richard W. Revels, Jr.

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Attachments
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cc: Mr. Richard Hudson
Lafayette District Office of Conservation

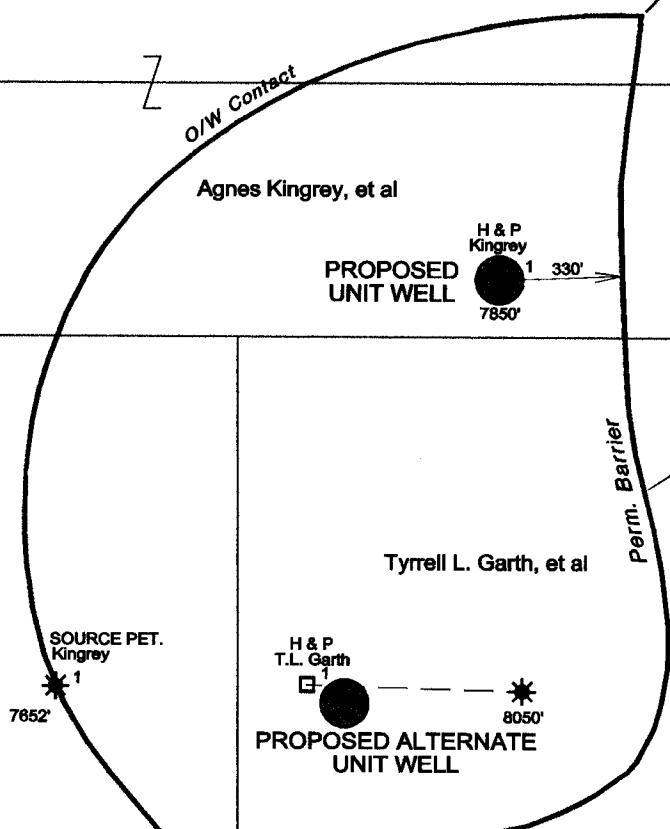
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**PROPOSED UNIT
5830' RA SUA
Kingrey No. 1
± 67 ACRES**

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Agnes Kingrey, et al

PROPOSED
UNIT WELL

H & P
Kingrey
1
7850'

SOURCE
Garth
1
6910'

Tyrrell L. Garth, et al

H & P
T.L. Garth
1
PROPOSED ALTERNATE
UNIT WELL

SOURCE PET.
Kingrey
1
7852'

LaBokay Corp.

GLASSCOCK/SIMMONS
Industrial Lbr.
1
7690'

Jessie E. Ardoin, et al

SOURCE
Osterland
2
7865'

GLASSCOCK & CHAPMAN
Osterland
1
7850'
Mary Osterland Gates, et al

LYONS PETROLEUM
Industrial Lbr.
2
7949'

SIMMONS
Parker
1
7280'

SOURCE
Osterland
1
5833'

SOURCE
Parker
1
7753'

SOURCE
Kingrey
1
6403'

SUN OIL COMPANY
Industrial Lbr.
1
8505'

EXHIBIT NO.
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UTICA AT TWENTY-FIRST - TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74114

BUNCHY CREEK FIELD
ALLEN PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED UNIT
5830' Sand RA SUA

0' 500' 1000'

DATE:

FRANK W. HARRISON, JR.
CONSULTING GEOLOGISTS - LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA

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